

Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to support S. 2345.

Madam Speaker, I yield such time as he may consume to the gentleman from New York (Mr. HOUGHTON).

Mr. HOUGHTON. Madam Speaker, I thank the gentleman for yielding the time to me. This will be the shortest endorsement ever, but I would like to second the words of the gentleman from Utah (Mr. HANSEN). He has explained the importance of the Harriet Tubman legacy, and what this is is really a resources bill, a study bill.

This is an extraordinary woman who had a great record in saving many, many lives, and the whole thrust of this thing is to be able to study the various institutions and the buildings and the area not only in New York, but also in Maryland.

Madam Speaker, I would also like to thank Senator SCHUMER for his endorsement of this. I would like to thank Vince DeForest of the National Park Service and also Mike Long of the Auburn City Planning. They have done a wonderful job in trying to espouse this whole project.

As the gentleman from Utah (Mr. HANSEN) has said, Ms. Tubman was an extraordinary historic figure. She served as a nurse and a guide and did all sorts of things for saving the lives of people and also educating them later on, so we have this opportunity to preserve such a tremendous legacy. I would like to ask the House to join in voting for this bill.

Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California. Madam Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Madam Speaker, I would like to join my colleagues in support of this legislation, and thank them for bringing it to the floor, the gentleman from New York (Mr. HOUGHTON) for his support and Senator SCHUMER for drafting this legislation. I urge Members to support the bill.

Madam Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. HANSEN. Madam Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Utah (Mr. HANSEN) that the House suspend the rules and pass the Senate bill, S. 2345.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the Senate bill was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARIES AMENDMENTS ACT OF 1999

Mr. HANSEN. Madam Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the Senate bill (S. 1482) to amend the National Marine Sanctuaries Act, and for other purposes.

The Clerk read as follows:

S. 1482

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "National Marine Sanctuaries Amendments Act of 1999".

SEC. 2. AMENDMENT OF NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARIES ACT.

Except as otherwise expressly provided, whenever in this Act an amendment or repeal is expressed in terms of an amendment or repeal to, or repeal of, a section or other provision, the reference shall be considered to be made to a section or other provision of the National Marine Sanctuaries Act (16 U.S.C. 1431 et seq.).

SEC. 3. CHANGES IN FINDINGS, PURPOSES, AND POLICIES.

(a) AMENDMENT OF FINDINGS.—Section 301(a) (16 U.S.C. 1431(a)) is amended—

(1) by striking "research, educational, or aesthetic" in paragraph (2) and inserting "scientific, educational, cultural, archaeological, or aesthetic";

(2) by inserting "ecosystem" after "comprehensive" in paragraph (3);

(3) by striking "wise use" in paragraph (5) and inserting "sustainable use";

(4) by striking "and" after the semicolon in paragraph (5);

(5) by striking "protection of these" in paragraph (6) and inserting "protecting the biodiversity, habitats, and qualities of such"; and

(6) by inserting "and the values and ecological services they provide" in paragraph (6) after "living resources".

(b) AMENDMENT OF PURPOSES AND POLICIES.—Section 301(b) (16 U.S.C. 1431(b)) is amended—

(1) by striking "significance;" in paragraph (1) and inserting "significance and to manage these areas as the National Marine Sanctuary System;";

(2) by striking paragraph (3) and inserting the following:

"(3) to maintain natural biodiversity and biological communities, and to protect, and where appropriate, restore, and enhance natural habitats, populations, and ecological processes;";

(3) by striking "understanding, appreciation, and wise use of the marine environment;" in paragraph (4) and inserting "understanding, and appreciation of the natural, historical, cultural, and archaeological resources of national marine sanctuaries;";

(4) by redesignating paragraphs (5) through (9) as paragraphs (6) through (10), and inserting after paragraph (4) the following:

"(5) to support, promote, and coordinate scientific research on, and long-term monitoring of, the resources of these marine areas;";

(5) by striking "areas;" in paragraph (8), as redesignated, and inserting "areas, including the application of innovative management techniques; and";

(6) by striking "marine resources; and" in paragraph (9), as redesignated, and inserting "marine and coastal resources;"; and

(7) by striking paragraph (10), as redesignated.

SEC. 4. CHANGES IN DEFINITIONS.

Section 302 (16 U.S.C. 1432) is amended—

(1) by striking "304(a)(1)(C)(v)" in paragraph (1) and inserting "304(a)(2)(A)";

(2) by striking "Magnuson" in paragraph (2) and inserting "Magnuson-Stevens";

(3) by striking "and" after the semicolon in subparagraph (B) of paragraph (6);

(4) by striking "resources;" in subparagraph (C) of paragraph (6) and inserting "resources; and";

(5) by inserting after paragraph (6)(C) the following:

"(D) the cost of curation and conservation of archaeological, historical, and cultural sanctuary resources;";

(6) by striking "injury;" in paragraph (7) and inserting "injury, including enforcement activities related to any incident;";

(7) by striking "educational, or" in paragraph (8) and inserting "educational, cultural, archaeological,;";

(8) by striking "and" after the semicolon in paragraph (8);

(9) by striking "Magnuson Fishery Conservation and Management Act." in paragraph (9) and inserting "Magnuson-Stevens Act;"; and

(10) by adding at the end thereof the following:

"(10) 'system' means the National Marine Sanctuary System established by section 303; and

"(11) 'person' has the meaning given that term by section 1 of title 1, United States Code, but includes a department, agency, and instrumentality of the government of the United States, a State, or a foreign Nation.".

SEC. 5. CHANGES IN SANCTUARY DESIGNATION STANDARDS.

Section 303 (16 U.S.C. 1433) is amended—

(1) by striking the section caption and inserting the following:

"SEC. 303. NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY SYSTEM";

(2) by striking subsection (a) and inserting the following:

"(a) ESTABLISHMENT OF SYSTEM.—There is established the National Marine Sanctuary System, which shall consist of national marine sanctuaries designated by the Secretary in accordance with this title.";

(3) by striking paragraph (3) of subsection (b), and redesignating paragraphs (1) and (2) as paragraphs (2) and (3);

(4) by striking so much of subsection (b) as precedes paragraph (2), as redesignated, and inserting the following:

"(b) SANCTUARY DESIGNATION STANDARDS.—

"(1) IN GENERAL.—Before designating an area of the marine environment as a national marine sanctuary, the Secretary shall find that—

"(A) the area is of special national significance due to its—

"(i) biodiversity;

"(ii) ecological importance;

"(iii) archaeological, cultural, or historical importance; or

"(iv) human-use values;

"(B) existing State and Federal authorities should be supplemented to ensure coordinated and comprehensive conservation and management of the area, including resource protection, scientific research, and public education;

"(C) designation of the area as a national marine sanctuary will facilitate the objectives in subparagraph (B); and

"(D) the area is of a size and nature that will permit comprehensive and coordinated conservation and management.";

(5) by striking "subsection (a)" in paragraph (2), as redesignated, and inserting "paragraph (1)";

(6) by redesignating subparagraphs (E) through (I) of paragraph (2), as redesignated, as paragraphs (F) through (J), and inserting after paragraph (D) the following:

"(E) the areas's scientific value and value for monitoring as a special area of the marine environment;";

(7) by redesignating subparagraphs (H), (I), and (J), as redesignated, as subparagraphs (I), (J), and (K) and by inserting after subparagraph (K), as redesignated, the following:

"(H) the feasibility, where appropriate, of employing innovative management approaches to protect sanctuary resources or to manage compatible uses;";